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THIS PRICE REPORT ON TIMBER PRODUCTS IS RELEASED BY THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE IN COOPERATION WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

THE PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REPORT IS THE THIRD QUARTER OF THE CALENDAR YEAR 1960.

SAWTIMBER VOLUME 2ND QUARTER 1960 WITH COMPARISONS

THE TOTAL VOLUME OF SAWLOGS CUT IN LOUISIANA THROUGH AUGUST, 1960 AMOUNTED TO 499 MILLION BOARD FEET. CUTTINGS IN THE APRIL-JUNE QUARTER OF THIS YEAR WERE HIGHER THAN THAT REPORTED THE SAME PERIOD A YEAR AGO AND ALSO THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1960. HOWEVER, REDUCED VOLUMES IN JULY AND AUGUST OF THIS YEAR BROUGHT THE TOTAL CUTTINGS THROUGH AUGUST SOME 15 MILLION BOARD FEET BELOW THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 1959. HARDWOOD TIMBER CUTTINGS ARE OFF SHARPLY AS PINE AND CYPRESS CONTINUE TO SHOW INCREASES IN VOLUME CUT.

PULPWOOD HARVEST REPORTED FOR THE SECOND QUARTER OF 1960 WAS 289 THOUSAND CORDS OF PINE AND 82 THOUSAND CORDS OF HARDWOOD. THIS REPRESENTS ONLY A SLIGHT GAIN OVER THE FIRST QUARTER OF THIS YEAR BUT 26 THOUSAND CORDS MORE PINE AND 13 THOUSAND CORDS MORE HARDWOOD THAN WAS CUT THE SAME PERIOD IN 1959.

MARKET CONDITIONS 3RD QUARTER 1960

A CONTINUED WEAK LUMBER MARKET AND SIZEABLE INVENTORIES OF TIMBER HAVE RESULTED IN LOWER PRICES PAID FOR SAWLOGS DURING THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1960. SOME PLANTS ARE REDUCING PURCHASES WHILE A FEW ARE REPORTED TO BE WITHDRAWING FROM THE SAWLOG MARKET AT PRESENT. REPORTS INDICATE SOME FIRMS ARE OPERATING FROM THEIR OWN HOLDINGS.

PRICES PAID FOR PULPWOOD WAS MOSTLY UNCHANGED WITH THE LARGER PLANTS PAYING \$15.00-\$15.50 F.O.B. CAR FOR PINE AND \$12.00-\$12.75 FOR HARDWOOD.

THE MARKET FOR POLES SHOWED NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE FROM THE PREVIOUS QUARTER.

STUMP PRICES WERE UNCHANGED TO SLIGHTLY HIGHER ON THE

AVERAGE.



AVERAGE PRICES PAID TO LOUISIANA TIMBER PRODUCERS BY TYPES OF INDUSTRIES, JULY-SEPTEMBER 1960 WITH COMPARISONS

AREA							STATE AVERAGE		
		1	2	3	4	5	JULY-SEPT. 1960	PREVIOUS QUARTER	SAME PERIOD YEAR AGO
1. (A)	SAWLOGS (STUMPAGE) (DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)
	PINE M.Bd.Ft.	29.50	28.75	28.40	31.60	-	29.10	31.00	31.95
	CYPRESS "	18.15	25.00	21.65	18.85	18.00	19.70	21.75	23.50
	RED OAK "	10.10	11.60	9.60	9.85	10.55	10.25	11.90	11.35
	WHITE OAK "	10.05	10.40	8.85	10.20	10.00	9.90	11.70	10.90
	SWEET GUM "	9.15	12.25	10.15	9.85	11.85	10.35	11.60	10.30
	TUPELO GUM "	10.45	14.00	11.75	11.15	12.00	11.55	13.25	11.65
	BLACK GUM "	9.30	13.50	9.80	10.80	11.65	10.30	11.90	10.30
	WILLOW "	11.15	-	11.50	9.35	11.80	11.05	14.50	9.40
	ASH "	10.15	-	13.35	12.50	13.20	11.95	14.00	10.30
	COTTON WOOD "	11.15	-	13.50	10.40	12.85	11.95	14.45	11.70
	OTHER HARDWOODS "	8.85	10.00	10.35	10.00	10.75	9.85	11.80	10.80

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AREA							STATE AVERAGE		
							JULY-SEPT.	PREVIOUS	SAME
(B)	SAWLOGS	(DELIVERED TO MILL)	1	2	3	4	1960	QUARTER	PERIOD
			(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	YEAR AGO
		M.B.D.F.T.							
	PINE	"	50.40	46.65	47.75	53.50	49.60	52.50	53.55
	CYPRESS	"	41.65	47.50	47.85	52.00	47.55	48.35	47.85
	RED OAK	"	34.60	37.00	33.55	38.00	36.05	36.65	37.15
	WHITE OAK	"	35.00	36.75	34.70	37.30	36.40	35.90	35.90
	SWEET GUM	"	31.25	39.75	37.85	39.85	42.55	36.05	36.90
	TUPELO GUM	"	33.75	41.00	39.35	43.60	40.60	41.20	39.45
	BLACK GUM	"	32.75	39.75	37.85	38.80	37.20	36.55	36.30
	WILLOW	"	36.25	42.50	44.35	42.50	41.60	43.75	41.35
	ASH	"	33.10	48.35	45.00	43.50	41.50	40.55	39.90
	COTTON WOOD	"	37.50	43.35	44.50	39.65	42.45	43.30	43.45
	OTHER HARDWOODS	"	29.00	40.00	37.65	35.80	35.55	37.40	38.25
- TIMBER PRODUCT -									
2. PULPWOOD		UNIT							
		(CORD)							
	PINE	(STUMPG.)	4.60	4.75	4.35	4.00	4.45	4.35	4.25
	PINE	(FCB CAR)	15.50	15.50	14.65	14.80	15.10	14.90	14.85
	HARDWOOD	(STUMPG.)	1.35	2.00	1.35	1.75	1.50	1.65	1.65
	HARDWOOD	(FOB CAR)	12.75	12.75	10.00	12.50	12.25	12.25	12.20
3. POLES (F.O.B. MILL), EACH									
30-FT.									
	CLASS	5.	3.35	-	-	4.00	-	3.55	3.30
		6.	3.00	-	-	3.60	-	3.20	3.40
		7.	2.60	-	-	3.25	-	2.80	3.00
40-FT.									
	CLASS	4.	9.80	-	-	9.75	-	9.80	10.00
		5.	8.75	-	-	8.90	-	8.80	8.90
		6.	6.20	-	-	6.00	-	6.15	6.60
50-FT.									
	CLASS	1.	-	-	-	-	-	21.50	-
		2.	18.90	-	-	19.00	-	18.90	20.30
		3.	16.50	-	-	17.00	-	16.65	18.15
		4.	14.25	-	-	12.00	-	13.80	15.90
60-FT.									
	CLASS	1.	-	-	-	-	-	40.00	-
		2.	31.50	-	-	33.00	-	31.80	35.00
		3.	29.25	-	-	28.00	-	28.85	30.40
		4.	24.25	-	-	24.00	-	24.20	26.60
70-FT.									
	CLASS	1.	-	-	-	-	-	56.50	-
		2.	49.65	-	-	49.00	-	49.50	53.70
		3.	45.35	-	-	44.00	-	44.80	49.75
		4.	39.25	-	-	39.50	-	39.35	40.60
4. STUMPS (FOR DISTILLATION)									
(DELIVERED TO PLANT - TON)									
			-	-	1/	1/	-	14.33	13.92
									11.83
	1/	NOT SHOWN TO AVOID DISCLOSING INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS.							
	-	INSUFFICIENT NUMBER OF REPORTS TO QUOTE.							
		ALL FIGURES ROUNDED TO NEAREST FIVE CENTS, EXCEPT STUMPS ROUNDED TO NEAREST CENT.							
	NOTE:	THE DOYLE LOG SCALE IS BASIS FOR BOARD FEET MEASUREMENT IN THIS REPORT.							

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